

# Congress of the United States

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The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for The Borrego Water District Critical Infrastructure Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Borrego Water District (BWD), located at 806 Palm Canyon Drive, Borrego Springs, CA 92004.

The funding would be used to accelerate the replacement of aging water infrastructure in a severely disadvantaged community. BWD would remove and replace aged water lines, valves, and fire hydrants that are past their expected lifespans in a community of small-lot single/multi-family homes and single/double-wide trailers. High system pressures, seismic activity, and extreme weather conditions further threaten the integrity of the system.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will enhance water quality, improve fire protection, and upgrade reliability – all the while preventing continued small leaks, potential catastrophic failure, and even higher costs in the future.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Thank you for your consideration in supporting an important project.

Sincerely,



DARRELL ISSA  
Member of Congress